

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	§	Docket No. 31132.129 / PC877.19
Kelly et al.	§	
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Serial No.: 10/600,052	§	
	§	Group Art Unit: 3733
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For: WEAR-RESISTANT	§	
ENDOPROSTHETIC DEVICES	§	Examiner: Philogene, Pedro

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
MAILED DECEMBER 3, 2007

I. Introductory Remarks

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2007.

No fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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